

Attorney Docket No. 02481.1403-02

Prior Group Art Unit: 1616

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Continued Prosecution Application of:

Ulrich STACHE et al.

Application No.: 08/897,455

CPA Filed: May 31, 2001-

For: CORTICOID-17, 21-DICARBOXYLIC ESTERS

AND CORTICOSTEROID 17-CARBOXYLIC ESTER 21-CARBONIC ESTERS, PROCESSES

FOR THEIR PREPARATION AND

PHARMACEUTICALS CONTAINING THESE

COMPOUNDS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

## **Amendment**

This Amendment responds to the Office Action dated July 17, 2001. Please reconsider this application in light of the following amendments and remarks.

In the claims:

Please amend claim 11 as follows:

11. (Amended) A corticoid 17,21-dicarboxylic ester or corticosteroid 17-carboxylic ester 21-carbonic ester of the formula I

wherein:



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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of July 17, 2001. The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for a two month extension of time to respond to the above Office Action. The fee of \$400.00 for the Extension is enclosed.

A check for \$400.00 to cover the above fee(s) is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Dated: December 10, 2001

Steven J. Scott

Reg. No. 43,911